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Cosmonaut Hits U. S. Use Of Spy Satellite

MOSCOW, April 11 (AP).—A Soviet cosmonaut said today the United States has put several score "spy satellites" in orbit.

Valery Bykovsky suggested this was proof of his contention that the United States put military aims first in its space program. He added that Americans should "remember that powerful Soviet boosters can launch not only artificial earth satellites and spaceships."

Unofficial reports from Washington in the past have indicated the United States has satellites capable of photographing the Soviet Union on film that can be recovered from space.

Maj. Bykovsky, who orbited the earth 81 times last June, spoke at a "Cosmonaut Day" program at the Bolshoi Theater. It marked tomorrow's third anniversary of man's first space flight by Yuri Gagarin.

Scientist Leonid Sedov spoke cryptically about the latest Soviet space venture, the Zond No. 1. Since its launching was

announced April 2, there has been silence on its destination.

"Its successful flight marks another big advance, an event whose importance can be appreciated only in the future"—perhaps meaning when the world knows where it is going.

Maj. Gagarin used the occasion to denounce "the monstrous slander of the Chinese splitters against our people, our party and the Soviet government." Cosmonauts are as shocked as other good citizens by what the Chinese are saying in the dispute with Premier Khrushchev, the cosmonaut declared.